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Frederick Is Indicted for Forgery

President Elect of Aldermen is Held on First-Degree Count, Minimum Sentence for Which is Ten years in Prison.

FREE ON \$10,000 BOND; OTHER BILLS EXPECTED.

Fraudulent Deeds Discovered Estimated to Total \$40,000—Buyers Investigate Six Additional Transactions by Realty Man.

August H. Frederick, President elect of the Board of Aldermen of St. Louis, was indicted by the Grand Jury yesterday for forgery in the first degree. The minimum sentence for conviction on this charge is ten years in the penitentiary.

Other similar indictments are expected to-day. It is said the Grand Jury may find six indictments against the newly elected REPUBLICAN official.

The first indictment against Frederick is based upon a forged deed of trust given to Mrs. Anna Weinheimer, Fred Gossel, who owns the property on North Newstead Ave. on which it was issued, informed the Grand Jury that his name had been forged to this deed of trust, for which Frederick received \$3,500 from Mrs. Weinheimer.

Six More Deeds Investigated.

Six additional deeds of trust believed to be fraudulent were submitted to attaches of the Recorder of Deeds office yesterday for investigation. One was the second duplicate deed on the same piece of property. Mrs. Weinheimer's was the first of this kind, the second being presented by a man who declined to give his name. His deed was an exact duplicate of Mrs. Weinheimer's deed, and is on the same property covered by the fictitious paper she received for her money. The estimate is now made that fictitious deeds aggregating about \$40,000 already have come to light.

Frederick was prepared for the occasion of the Grand Jury and a few minutes after he was indicted he reappeared before Circuit Judge William T. Jones and gave bond for \$10,000. His surety was Chris Schawaker, a professional bondsman. The indicted Republican official drove to the municipal courts in a limousine. He was accompanied by his attorney, Henry Kortjohn, and former Circuit Judge Seldon P. Spencer. The chauffeur was instructed to drive to the rear of the building to avoid notice.

Does Not Appear Unwell.

Frederick showed no signs of having been ill. Friends who met him as he was leaving the court room commented on his excellent appearance. He showed speed and agility as he rushed to the automobile in an effort to escape the focus of the cameras of newspaper photographers.

The evidence received from the Grand Jury during the last two days shows conclusively that John Schmoll, Chairman of the Republican City Committee, and other Republican leaders, were conversant with the fact that Frederick practically had acknowledged his guilt to officials of the Night and Day Bank three days prior to the election.

George B. Webster, attorney for the Night and Day Bank and who was defeated as a Republican candidate at the primaries, had acquainted Schmoll and other Republicans of the impending danger in the event that the Frederick expose should become public before election.

Schmoll Expected to Testify.

Schmoll is expected to testify to-day before the Grand Jury. He is President of the Tower Grove Bank. It was stated yesterday in the Grand Jury room that one of the officials of Schmoll's bank was an employee of the Mechanics-American National Bank in 1910 when the first of Frederick's fraudulent deeds of trust was discovered. This official of the Tower Grove Bank may be subpoenaed and asked to tell why Frederick has been shielded for so many years.

George B. Webster, who knew three days prior to the election of the Frederick forgery held by the Night and Day Bank, is out of the city. Circuit Attorney Thos. B. Harvey said last night that he expected Webster to return to-morrow, when he will be asked to testify before the Grand Jury.

Other Indictments Awaited. Indictments are expected to-day also on the three forged deeds of trust which Frederick gave as security to the Night and Day Bank.—Wednesday's St. Louis Republic.

AGED CITIZEN PASSES AWAY

Lived Consistent Christian Life; Elder of Church of Christ.

Mr. W. R. Green of Mine La Motte departed this life on the 7th day of April, 1915, aged 69 years, 6 months and 9 days. He leaves a wife 66 years old and 7 children to mourn his loss. About 26 years ago he lived on what is known as the Hopkins farm near Farmington, Mo., and from there he moved to Mine La Motte, Mo., where he made his home up to the time of his death, with the exception of 7 months which was spent in Flat River, Mo.

He has a son living in Bonne Terre—Dennis Green; and Wm. Green and a daughter, Mrs. Delilah Lawson, both of Flat River, Mo.; Lon Green, another son, who lives near Libertyville, Mo.; a daughter, Hattie Spray, of Cape Girardeau, Mo., and Edgar Green and Myrtle Laplant, both of Mine La Motte.

For many years Mr. W. R. Green has been a faithful follower of Christ and a light to the neighborhood, and a good example for the children. He was also an elder of the Church of Christ at his home town. The brethren mourn the loss of Bro. Green, but rejoice to know he has laid down the pain and sorrows of life, and taken the happy abode of all saints who have preceded us.

We do not sorrow as those who have no hope, for we know he shall arise to put on immortality. For if we believe that Jesus died and arose again, even so then, also, those who sleep in Jesus will God bring with Him.—1st Thess. 4:14.

His many friends will be sorry to learn of his death, yet their loss is his eternal gain and he has only paid the debt we all owe and must soon pay and render an account of our stewardship while threading our perilous way through this vale of sorrow, trials, disease and death.

The Times joins his many friends in extending sympathy to the sorrowing wife and other relatives in this hour of gloom.

DE MAUPASSANT ON WAR

Great French Writer Waxed Eloquent in Condemning Abominations of Armed Conflict.

When I but consider the word war I feel a shock, as if one spoke to me of witchcraft, inquisition, some dead or distant thing, abominable, monstrous, unnatural.

When we hear of cannibals we smile with pride and proclaim our superiority over these savages.

What are savages, real savages—those who fight and eat the victims or those who fight to kill, merely to kill?

These youthful soldiers of the line speeding along yonder are destined to death, just as the flocks of sheep driven along the roads by the butcher. They are destined to fall on a plain, their heads cleft by a stroke from a sword or their breasts pierced by bullets. And these are young men who could work, produce, be useful their fathers are old and poor, their mothers, who during 20 years have loved and worshiped them, as mothers can worship, will learn in six months or perhaps a year that the son, the child, the big child, brought up with so much trouble, with so much money, with so much love, was thrown into a hole, like a dead dog, after his body, riddled by a bullet, had been trampled and crushed into pulp by the charge of cavalry. Why have they killed her boy, her noble boy, her only hope, her pride, her life?

She cannot tell. Yes, why—Guy De Maupassant.

WM. SKAGGS

Wm. Skaggs, a former and well-known citizen of St. Francois county, passed away at his home in Essex, Mo., Tuesday night, April 6th, his death being due to paralysis stroke. Mr. Skaggs left St. Francois county about 23 years ago, and he has many friends throughout this community who will be sorry to hear of his death. He leaves one daughter, Mrs. W. Bowling of Doe Run, and one son, James Skaggs, of Grayer Ridge, Mo.; one brother, Alfred Skaggs, of Doe Run; and one sister, Mrs. Nancy Harris, of Grayer Ridge, Mo.; besides a host of friends and other relatives to mourn his loss.

The Times joins in extending sympathy to his bereaved friends and relatives in this hour of humiliating grief and sorrow.

For Sale

Two Re-built Runabouts. Also one Light Re-built Delivery Wagon, at ISENMAN'S

FARMINGTON HAS A REAL BAND AT LAST.

Through the enterprise of a few of the music-loving people in Farmington, a brass band that promises to be a good one has been organized, and has been practicing regularly for four weeks. There are quite a number of experienced players in town who have been "out of the game" for some years, but the pleasure of playing brass music is never forgotten when once enjoyed, so these older players, with the addition of a few younger members of talent have been able to complete a fairly good instrumentation. The band is under the leadership of E. C. Barroll, who is a musician of experience and a leader of ability in this line. Following is the line up so far, with hope expressed that others who can play will probably come in later:

Wm. Brockmiller, Solo Cornet;
E. C. Barroll, Cornet and Director;
John Towl, First Cornet;
Rhiney Quennell, Second Cornet;
Herbert Radle, Third Cornet;
Robert Boswell, First Tenor;
Sam F. Isenman, Second Tenor;
Carroll Phillips, Slide Trombone;
Jeff Yeargain, Baritone;
Peter Schmitt, First Alto;
Opal Evans, Second Alto;
Wm. O'Sullivan, Jr., Third Alto;
Carl Trauernicht, Fourth Alto;
Chas. McCarthy, Clarinet;
Delos Johns, Tuba;
George Munsch, Snare Drum;
Homer Carver, Bass Drum.

The band is organized upon a basis quite different from the method usually followed, so that none of the members are put to any expense whatever, either for instruction, music, "dues," room rent, or anything else, except the cost of an instrument. No contributions, or "charity" is asked or expected, but the services of the band are frankly offered upon a business-like basis, at a reasonable compensation, and each player helping to fill any engagement will be paid for his work, just the same as though doing some other kind. A definite scale of prices has been arranged, so that should the band be desired to furnish music for any occasion, a responsible representative can make arrangements and depend upon the fulfillment of the engagement in a creditable and satisfactory manner. Mr. Barroll is business manager and has full authority to make contracts.

Yielding to the request of a number of music-loving citizens, the band has promised to give a concert upon the public square, in the band stand, one evening in May, provided the band stand is, in the meantime, suitably and properly lighted by the city.

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100 FROST-PROOF CABBAGE PLANTS

SOON, as it will soon be too late.

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THE RULES OF ROAD AND SPEED LIMIT SHOULD BE STRICTLY OBSERVED

City Attorney and Aldermen May Take Necessary Steps to Prevent Accidents.

Below we give a synopsis of some of the rules of the road provided by law to be observed by automobilists and persons driving other vehicles or animals over or through the streets.

The laws of 1911 relative to motor vehicles provide that whenever a person operating a motor vehicle shall meet in the public highway any other person riding or driving a horse or horses or other animals the Chauffeur shall reasonably turn his automobile to the right of the center of the highway so as to pass without interference.

Section 10540 R. S. Mo. 1909 makes this same requirement of the person driving the vehicle other than the automobile, or driving or riding an animal. The laws of 1911 further provide that when a person operating a motor vehicle shall overtake a horse, animal or other vehicle the rider or driver of the horse or other vehicle shall as soon as practicable turn aside to the right so as to allow free passage on the left-hand side. And it is further provided that any person operating a motor vehicle shall at the intersection of public highways keep to the right of the intersection of the center lines of such highways when turning to the right and pass to the right of such intersection when turning to the left.

The ordinances of the City of Farmington provide that no person shall operate a motor-cycle or motor vehicle on any street or highway within the limits of the city at a greater rate of speed than eight miles per hour in the business portion of the city nor at a greater rate of speed than ten miles per hour in all other portions thereof and when turning a corner at intersecting roads or streets, or when traversing a curve or turn in the road or street where the view is obstructed the speed shall not exceed six miles per hour.

The penalties attached to the violation of any of these laws and ordinances are rather severe for the first offense and greater penalties are provided for subsequent offenses.

We are informed that the Board of Aldermen expects to provide signboards on several of the roads at the city limits giving the rate of speed permitted in the city.

It is exceedingly unpleasant for the city officers to be compelled to arrest persons as ordinary criminals are arrested for the violation of these traffic laws and it is their hope that automobile owners will not make this necessary.

FROST-PROOF CABBAGE PLANTS

If you are in doubt as to the merits of these plants please your neighbors who have received theirs and ask them about them. The following are a few of the persons who have ordered these plants and can tell you about them: J. F. Hicks, and D. M. Lewis, Libertyville, Mo.; Mrs. Katie Fitzgerald, Felix Bourgeois, John Horton, Sr., Leroy Matkin, Bismarck, Mo.; R. J. David and M. A. Patterson, Bonne Terre, Mo.; E. R. Gill, Patterson, Mo.; Frank Nay, Elvins, Mo.; G. C. Bolech, Cahoon, Mo.; J. F. Parker and E. E. Clay, Franklins, Mo.; S. D. Counts, Flat River, Mo.; J. A. Simms, Farmington, Route 3; T. J. Short, Farmington, Route 4; and Henry Hermann and W. S. Miller, Farmington.

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ANOTHER EULOGIZING LETTER

Redounding to the Honor of Mr. F. P. Graves.

Bonne Terre, Mo., April 10, 1915.

I have, in my poor weak way, attempted to eulogize several distinguished men of the county, and I would fail in my appreciation were I at this time fail to speak a kind word to salute the wounded and broken heart of my dear friend, F. P. Graves. Indeed, I regard it as a high privilege to express my deepest and most profound sympathy for him in his days of trouble and distress. No man ever possessed a truer and more loyal friend than Mr. Graves, and happy was the man who sat at his feet in the days of his prosperity and listened to his cheering counsel and received his financial aid. He has been the promoter of many a man's fortune and the comforter of the unfortunate. I wish the people of St. Francois county could understand how much true and loyal patriotism, how much disinterested devotion and the highest interest of labor are found among just such men as Hon. F. P. Graves.

During the corporate life of this county you have seen a great country grow into independence, you have seen it advance and extend along all the lines of progress and prosperity, until the seven wonders of the world of which we learned in youth have been lost sight of and forgotten in the thousand great wonders brought about during Hon. F. P. Graves' industrial activities.

You do not and never will forget the freedom which was purchased by the blood of such noble men as Lafayette, and why should we so soon forget the noble self-sacrificing life of the above named gentleman? It is a self-evident truth that true worth and nobility one never fully appreciated until the man possessed of these characteristics have passed beyond this mundane sphere. At this period of Mr. Graves' struggle to obtain equity and justice from the St. Joe Lead Co., every beneficiary of the above gentleman's bounty as well as every admirer of nobility in his character ought to support his efforts.

We all know that on particular occasions wrong prevails over right, although in the end truth and righteousness must triumph. Equity and justice, like a torch, the more they are shaken, the more they shine, and I would rather be a toad and live upon the vapor of a dunghill than stand neutral, in the perpetration of such infamous conduct as Hon. F. P. Graves has been the innocent victim of at the hands of his enemies. He has demonstrated, times without number, that he is the most generous and biggest hearted man in St. Francois county. In his days of prosperity many could be seen flocking by day and by night to his sanctum for council and financial aid. Some desiring him to go on their bonds, others seeking positions or financial aid, etc. Now the scene changes, as it did in the case of Lot when his worldly possessions vanished and the grass has grown up in the path which leads to my Fredy Graves' home.

The finest and noblest trait in a man's character is devotion and service to a friend in distress, and the characteristic is very evident among the laboring men of St. Francois county, toward their greatest and noblest benefactor at this critical period of his life.

THE LIMESTONE CRUSHER

The County Court met with the committee from the Farm Bureau, consisting of Mr. Smollinger, Mr. Matkin, Mr. Danman and Mr. Belkin, to decide how the lime crusher should be handled.

As a result of this meeting it was decided that the supervision of the lime crusher should be placed in the hands of the County Highway Engineer and the County Agent. These men will secure some one to take charge of the crusher and will arrange a schedule. An effort will be made to get a small pile of limestone ground in several different parts of the county as soon as possible, in order that anyone desiring the limestone can secure it. The crusher will be taken to Judge Garrett's farm at Bismarck, Mo., and the County Court will determine the expense of making the ground limestone and then it will be sold to the farmers at whatever the County Court decides. It will be started at once.

Look at the label on the address of your paper to see when your subscription expires.

Col. W. R. Nelson, Kansas City Star Editor, Dies at 74

Courageous to the last Urged Associates to Continue Fight for Clean Elections.

NOTED FOR HIS CHARITY AND WORK FOR THE TOWN

Took Up Politics Early, But Quit that Field to Go into Newspaper Activity.

Kansas City, Mo., April 13.—The funeral of William Rockhill Nelson, editor and owner of The Star, who died early this morning, will be held at 2:30 o'clock Friday afternoon at his late home, Oak Hall. Burial will be in Mount Washington Cemetery.

Bishop Cameron Mann of Florida, an old friend and former rector, will come from Key West to conduct the services.

Mr. Nelson had been unconscious since last Thursday and had been seriously ill for several months.

Col. Nelson had long been rated one of the richest men of Kansas City. In addition to The Star and The Times one of the most valuable properties in the country, he owned Kansas City and Jackson county real estate worth \$1,000,000. No authoritative estimate of the value of the estate could be obtained to-night.

Col. Nelson leaves a widow and one daughter, Mrs. Irwin B. Kirkwood of Kansas City.

Fought for Honest Elections.

Mr. Nelson's last conference with his associates took place in his bedroom the day before he became unconscious. It pertained to the necessity of keeping up the fight for honest elections.

"That is fundamental for democratic government," he said. "I may not be here to see the fight won, but The Star will fight on with all its resources until the present rotten system is broken down."

As Mr. Nelson became weaker it was necessary to resort to artificial means to prolong his life. He objected vigorously.

Last Thursday he protested to his physicians against keeping him alive artificially. Thursday afternoon he sank into a coma from which he did not rally.—St. Louis Republic.

RUSSIANS WIN 80-DAY CARPATHIANS BATTLE, POUR INTO HUNGARY.

Czar's Troops' Advance is Expected to Force Rapid Retreat of Austrians Left in Galicia and Bukovina — French Drop Offensive.

London, April 12.—With the capture by the Russians of almost all the main chain of mountains, the battle of the Carpathians, which has lasted upward of 80 days, is apparently reaching a termination over an extensive front, and the Russians are said to be moving at various points by railways and roads, and along the rivers and streams down the southern slopes toward the plains of Hungary.

This movement, if it continues successfully, will, in the view of the Russian military authorities, compel the retirement, with little or no fighting, of the Austrians and Germans who are still north of the Carpathians, to the east of Ussor Pass, and in Eastern Galicia and Bukovina.

The battle, which has been thus successfully conducted by the Russians was, from all accounts, one of the fiercest of the war, and the manner in which the Russians overcame the difficulties of mountain fighting in mid-winter has been the subject of praise by those who witnessed the operations or are acquainted with the country traversed.—St. Louis Republic.

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